

IN THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A telephone set comprising:

a connection means to execute a connecting process for enabling transmission and reception of an information signal by radio communication to and from a home appliance which supports audio transmission or reception by said radio communication and is remote-controllable by said radio communication;

a control means for generating, upon arrival of an incoming call, a remote control signal to said home appliance; and

a radio communication means for sending the remote control signal to said home appliance by the radio communication;

whereby said radio communication means is operable to receive a confirmation signal from said appliance indicating that said appliance has received said remote control signal ~~said home appliance supports audio transmission or reception between said home appliance and a third device by way of said radio communication, and whereby said third device is operable to control said home appliance by way of said radio communication.~~

2. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 1, wherein said radio communication is Bluetooth communication.

3. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 1, wherein said remote control signal serves to stop the audio output of said home appliance under control.

4. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 1, wherein said connection means executes a connecting process in advance so as to enable fast transmission and reception of the information signal to and from said home appliance.

5. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 1, wherein said connection means executes a connecting process upon arrival of an incoming call so as to enable transmission and reception of the information signal to and from said home appliance.

6. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 1, wherein said connection means releases the connection with said home appliance upon termination of the call.

7. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 1, wherein said control means generates, upon arrival of an incoming call, the remote control signal to a plurality of said home appliances.

8. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 1, further comprising a control signal acquisition means to acquire the remote control signal in advance from said home appliance.

9. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 3, wherein the control for stopping the audio output is a function to pause the playing operation.

10. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 3, wherein the control for stopping the audio output is a sound mute function.

11. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 3, wherein the remote control signal further serves to execute another control for sending an incoming-call notice tone to said home appliance.

12. (Original) The telephone set according to claim 3, wherein said control means further executes, upon termination of the call, a control action for resuming the audio output of said home appliance.

13. (Currently Amended) A communication adaptor installable in a telephone set, comprising:

a connection means to execute a connecting process for enabling transmission and reception of an information signal by radio communication to and from a home appliance which supports audio transmission or reception by said radio communication and is remote-controllable by said radio communication;

a control means for generating, upon arrival of an incoming call, a remote control signal to the home appliance; and

a radio communication means for sending the remote control signal to said home appliance by the radio communication;

whereby said radio communication means is operable to receive a confirmation signal from said appliance indicating that said appliance has received said remote control signal ~~said home appliance supports audio transmission or reception between said home appliance and a third device by way of said radio communication, and whereby said third device is operable to control said home appliance by way of said radio communication.~~

14. (Currently Amended) A home appliance control method comprising:

a connection processing step for enabling transmission and reception of an information signal by radio communication to and from a home appliance which supports audio transmission or reception by said radio communication and is remote-controllable by said radio communication;

a remote control signal generating step for generating, upon arrival of an incoming call, a remote control signal to said home appliance; and

a remote control signal sending step for sending the remote control signal to said home appliance by the radio communication;

a receiving step for receiving a confirmation signal from said appliance indicating that said appliance has received said remote control signal ~~whereby said home appliance supports audio transmission or reception between said home appliance and a third device by way of said radio communication, and whereby said third device is operable to control said home appliance by way of said radio communication.~~

15. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 14, wherein said radio communication is Bluetooth communication.

16. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 14, wherein the audio output of said home appliance is stopped under control by said remote control signal.

17. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 14, wherein, at said

connection processing step, the connecting process is executed in advance so as to enable fast transmission and reception of the information signal to and from said home appliance.

18. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 14, wherein, at said connection processing step, the connecting process is executed upon arrival of an incoming call so as to enable transmission and reception of the information signal to and from said home appliance.

19. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 14, further comprising a connection releasing step for releasing the connection with said home appliance upon termination of the call.

20. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 14, wherein, at said remote control signal generating step, the remote control signal is generated, upon arrival of an incoming call, to a plurality of said home appliances.

21. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 14, wherein, at said remote control signal generating step, the remote control signal is acquired in advance from said home appliance.

22. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 16, wherein the control for stopping the audio output is a control to pause the playing operation.

23. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 16, wherein the control for stopping the audio output is a control to mute the sound.

24. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 16, wherein the remote control signal further serves to execute another control for sending an incoming-call notice tone to said home appliance.

25. (Original) The home appliance control method according to claim 16, wherein the remote control signal further serves to execute, upon termination of the call, another control for resuming the audio output of said home appliance.

26. (Currently Amended) A program recording medium where a home appliance control program is recorded in such a manner as to be readable and executable by a computer, said control program comprising:

a connection processing step for enabling transmission and reception of an information signal by radio communication to and from a home appliance which supports audio transmission or reception by said radio communication and is remote-controllable by said radio communication;

a remote control signal generating step for generating, upon arrival of an incoming call, a remote control signal to said home appliance; ~~and~~

a remote control signal sending step for sending the remote control signal to said home appliance by the radio communication; and

a receiving step for receiving a confirmation signal from said appliance indicating that said

appliance has received said remote control signal ~~whereby said home appliance supports audio transmission or reception between said home appliance and a third device by way of said radio communication, and whereby said third device is operable to control said home appliance by way of said radio communication.~~

27. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 26, wherein said radio communication is Bluetooth communication.

28. (Previously Presented) The program recording medium according to claim 26, wherein the audio output of said home appliance is stopped under control by said remote control signal.

29. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 26, wherein, at said connection processing step, the connecting process is executed in advance so as to enable fast transmission and reception of the information signal to and from said home appliance.

30. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 26, wherein, at said connection processing step, the connecting process is executed upon arrival of an incoming call so as to enable transmission and reception of the information signal to and from said home appliance.

31. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 26, wherein said control program further comprises a connection releasing step for releasing the connection with said home appliance upon termination of the call.

32. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 26, wherein, at said remote control signal generating step, the remote control signal is generated, upon arrival of an incoming call, to a plurality of said home appliances.

33. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 26, wherein, at said remote control signal generating step, the remote control signal is acquired in advance from said home appliance.

34. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 28, wherein the control for stopping the audio output is a control to pause the playing operation.

35. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 28, wherein the control for stopping the audio output is a control to mute the sound.

36. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 28, wherein the remote control signal further serves to execute another control for sending an incoming-call notice tone to said home appliance.

37. (Original) The program recording medium according to claim 28, wherein the remote control signal further serves to execute, upon termination of the call, another control for resuming the audio output of said home appliance.